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DE WET ESCAPES

BRITISH COMMANDER GIVES UP PURSUIT OF THE WILY BOER.

He is Now Threatening Winberg—Raiding in Cape Colony—A Big Battle Imminent.

London, Dec. 20.—It is reported this afternoon that General Knox has been forced to abandon the pursuit of General De Wet owing to the situation created in Cape Colony by the Boers crossing the Orange river. It is said that 3,000 republicans have entered Cape Colony and that a considerable number have reached Philippstown. The report adds that De Wet, with about 4,000 men, is northwest of Ladysmith, and that an attack on Winberg is momentarily expected.

RAIDING IN CAPE COLONY.

London, Dec. 20.—"The Boers have raided Cape Colony at two separate points, one hundred miles distant," says the Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail. "One commando advanced upon Philippstown, to cross the Orange river, and the other, supposed to be Hereng's commando, crossed the Orange river between Odendaal and Debelah, northwest of Burgersdorp, its objective apparently being Cradock, a town on the Orange river. The Boers are engaged in the invaders, who have no guns, twenty miles west of Burgersdorp. The latest news is that they are being slowly forced back to the Orange river, where a warm reception is being prepared for them."

BIG BATTLE IMMINENT.

Krugersdorp, Dec. 20.—A pitched battle is imminent between the British under General Clements, who has been reinforced, and the Boers under General Delarey.

LOSSES AT NOOTVEDIGT.

London, Dec. 20.—The British losses at Nootvedigt, according to the official accounts, were 82 killed and wounded, with 41 missing and still unaccounted for.

EDWARD A. CUDAHY KIDNAPPED.

Omnaha, Neb., Dec. 20.—Detectives are scouring this city and the surrounding country for some trace of Edward A. Cudahy, Jr., 15-year-old son of the rich packer, Edward A. Cudahy. The boy left his home last evening with some books, and he presented to a boy friend, the son of C. B. Dustin, living only a few blocks distant. This was the last seen of him.

The following letter has since been received by Mr. Cudahy: "Mr. E. A. Cudahy—Your son is safe. We have him and will take good care of him and will return him to you in consideration of the payment of \$25,000. We mean business. Signed, JACK."

The remainder of the police refuse to disclose as they say it relates to the place where the money is to be left and where the kidnappers are to leave the boy in case Mr. Cudahy complies with their terms.

FRENCH GUN SECRETS.

Paris, Dec. 20.—The French government has given the most emphatic denial to those French papers which tried to involve the American embassy in the Paris disclosures in connection with the United States war department's knowledge of French gun secrets. It has done this by offering the Cross of Legion of Honor to Lieut. W. S. Skis, the former United States naval attaché at Paris, whom La Presse described as the person guilty of disclosing the gun secrets.

ELECTRIC CAR VICTIM.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Alice Evans, an elderly lady, widow of the late Ald. G. M. Evans, was killed this afternoon by an electric car. She had been down town buying Christmas gifts, and, getting off a car at the corner of Queen and Corcoran streets, near her home on Grange avenue, passed out from behind the car and immediately in front of a car going the opposite direction she was run over, the car passing over both legs. The injured lady was taken to an emergency hospital in a dying condition, passing away within the hour.

ELECTRIC CARS COLLIDE.

Indianapolis, Dec. 20.—In a head end collision today between two electric cars on the Greenwood and Indianapolis interurban line near Jun. Ind., Emory Scott and John Glusack, motormen, were fatally injured. Six passengers were badly hurt. The cars were running at a high rate of speed, and the heavy fog prevented the motormen from seeing each other.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 20.—Discussing the Nivargan canal, the New-Yorker says Russia is not interested in the matter, but sides with America.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 20.—The Earl of Hopetoun, governor-general of the Commonwealth of Australia, has requested Mr. William John Lyne, chief minister of New South Wales, to form the first federal ministry. Mr. Lyne is considering the proposition.

WIRE AND CABLE.

New and Old World's News Condensed.

Hong Kong, Dec. 20.—The C. P. R. SS. Empress of Japan left here at noon today for Vancouver.

New York, Dec. 20.—A sent on the stock exchange was sold today for \$50,000, the highest price on record.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Mr. Joseph Alphonse Ouellet, pursue judge of the supreme court died this morning, at the age of 57 years. He was a native of St. Eustache.

Crawford, Neb., Dec. 19.—Baptiste was today shot and killed by James Gannier, by 80 majority, instead of L'Heureux, as announced on election day, the judge having ruled out a number of votes.

Pittsburg, Dec. 20.—The marriage of a white man to a colored woman yesterday caused a riot in the city in Lower Allegheny today and may result in the death or serious injuries to the principal.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Roy, Liberal, has been elected in St. Johns, Quebec, by 80 majority, instead of L'Heureux, as announced on election day, the judge having ruled out a number of votes.

Clinton, Ont., Dec. 20.—Fire in Blyth last night destroyed Hamilton's drug and fancy store, the Canadian Express and the G. N. W. telegraph offices, Smith's jewelry store, a furniture store and the Mason hotel were all burned.

New York, Dec. 20.—A cable message has been received at the office of the National Asphalt company, from its agent in Venezuela, which announces that a revolution has broken out in that country. No details were contained in the message.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 20.—It is a gaping wound in the back and another in the left wrist, inflicted by the police, Channing B. Barnes, train robber, drew the keen edge of a hunting knife across his throat in a swamp near this city and ended his career.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—The government having refused to offer any reward for the arrest of Thos. J. Chisholm, the absconding manager of the Cold Storage and Freezing company, the Butter and Cheese association has decided to offer one and has already collected \$425.

Rossland, B. C., Dec. 20.—The full returns of the Yale-Cariboo election are as follows: Gallieher, Liberal, 3,115; Foley, Labor, 2,658; McKane, Conservative, 2,595. Gallieher's majority over Foley is 457, and over McKane 520, while Foley has 63 votes more than McKane.

San Francisco, Dec. 19.—Paul Antoine, the French consul, who on Friday last attempted suicide by shooting himself in the head on account of the late capture of his wife, whom he had married clandestinely, to expose their alliance, died last night at the French hospital.

London, Dec. 20.—Mr. Geo. Goschen, who was lord of the admiralty in the late cabinet, was gazetted today Viscount Goschen of Hawkehurst, and Sir Matthew White Ridley, who was home secretary in the late ministry, was gazetted Viscount Ridley, who is also Baron Wensleydale.

Washington, Dec. 20.—A message from United States Consul Gunniery at Tangiers, informs the state department that the Moroccan government had settled the claim of the United States, for indemnity on account of the murder of Marcus Egan, a naturalized citizen in Morocco, last spring.

New Orleans, Dec. 20.—A man answering the description of one of the Chicago hold-up men, who was limited on the Illinois Central railway, last Tuesday night, in the suburbs of the city was found dead near the scene of the hold-up. The wounds given him in a running fight with the police had proved fatal.

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—Miss Lizzie Kerns, formerly a lighthouse keeper in this city, but recently following the same business in San Francisco, has received word from her sister, Jane, in Montreal, that an old gentleman has died leaving them a large share in the fortune, which is said to exceed a million.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Ave Gould, whose wife conducts a plain dress-making establishment, received word this morning that he had fallen heir to the title of baron and valuable estates in Ireland, near the Killarney region. The title dates back to Henry VII, when the bearer of the name was mayor of Cork.

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 20.—Lornie Timmons fell dead last night while skating. He was 15 years old, and heart failure was assigned as the cause of death. His physical condition is said to have been remarkable in that his heart was on the right side instead of the left side. He recently made an effort to join the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium class but was not permitted to do so because of the location of his heart.

A CLOSE SHAVE.

CLEMENT'S COMMAND HAD A NARROW ESCAPE.

Col. Legge's Exhibition of Bravery—Lord Salisbury Sounds a Note of Warning.

Johannesburg, Dec. 20.—Details of the defeat of the British at Nootvedigt indicate that Gen. Clement's entire force had a narrow escape from capture. The Boer plans were splendidly laid. If the main British column had tarried a little longer there would have been a complete success for the Boers, who exposed themselves undauntedly, yelling and waving their arms. Their rushes were only stemmed by artillery.

After the British retreat the Boers held a prayer meeting. Their hymns could be heard by the retreating soldiers. All accounts indicate a heavy Boer loss.

Col. Legge exhibited splendid bravery. He shot five Boers with his revolver before he fell with three bullets in his body.

BOERS REPULSED.

Cape Town, Dec. 19.—The Boers who crossed the Orange river into Cape Colony, west of Alwal North, on Saturday, encountered the Cape Rifles and Brabant's force, and were forced to retire with loss.

WOUNDED DOING WELL.

London, Dec. 19.—Lord Kitchener, in a dispatch from Pretoria dated Dec. 17, reports that all the British wounded in the engagement at Nootvedigt have arrived there and are doing well.

NOTE OF WARNING.

London, Dec. 19.—At the annual conference of the National Union of the Conservative associations today, Lord Salisbury, alluding to the war, said that if they wished to sustain the empire and maintain the glory of Great Britain untarnished their efforts must not be slackened until this great enterprise had been carried out, for on the issue thereof depended the glory and perpetuity of the empire.

BIG FIRE IN CLEVELAND.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 19.—Fire broke out early today in the extensive plant of the Brown Hoisting and Conveying company, one of the largest manufacturing concerns in the city, and at this hour it is believed all of the various buildings filled with valuable patterns and machinery will be destroyed. Five out of seven buildings used by the company and valued at \$1,000,000, were entirely consumed. Eleven hundred workmen are thrown out of employment as a result of the fire.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Toronto, Dec. 19.—A small fire in a frame dwelling on Church street early this morning brought out the fire brigade, and one of the first things found by the firemen was the dead and partly burned body of Mrs. Elizabeth Higgins, an old woman who had lived there alone. The fire is supposed to have been the result of spontaneous combustion of a heap of rags in the corner of the house.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

London, Dec. 19.—Judgment for £50 was entered in the Queen's Bench of the London court yesterday against the Duke of Manchester for wine and cigars, supplied by a city merchant, the claim was under-ferred.

London, Dec. 18.—Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, the Canadian high commissioner, was installed today as Lord Rector of Aberdeen university. He met with a demonstratively cordial greeting from the students.

Hope, Ind., Dec. 19.—Kennedy's bank was burglarized early today by three men, who destroyed the vault with a heavy charge of nitro glycerine, and secured, it is believed, \$15,000. They escaped and a posse of citizens began at once to scour the surrounding country.

Philadelphia, Dec. 19.—An assignment was made today by James Martin & Co. dyers to William H. Jackson, dealer in chemicals. It is understood the liabilities amount to \$205,000, which may be met after judicious liquidation of assets of \$300,000.

Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 19.—An engine, twelve cars and five men plunged down a 5-foot embankment on the Chicago & Burlington railway near Murray, Iowa, yesterday morning. John Bosche was killed and four other men, names unknown, badly injured. A freight car was when the train's weight was upon it.

Hamilton, Dec. 19.—One of the largest funerals ever seen in Barton township was that of the late Jonathan Rymal, ex-M. P., this afternoon. Hundreds of sympathizing friends attended, among them some of its old-time political opponents. Interment took place in the cemetery on the farm of deceased, services being held in the old Barton church.

CONDENSED NEWS.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22.

Emory Corisse, an 80-year-old resident, of Ottawa, fatally stabbed a companion during a quarrel. Fully 13,000 men are on strike in Antwerp, Belgium, including sailors, dock laborers, and porters.

Dr. Rykert, a young Canadian dentist, was sent from Paris to Holland to do some work for President Kruger.

Millionaire Gudahy has paid \$25,000 ransom for the return of his son. The abductors delivered the boy in safety.

Big storms are affecting shipping along the coast of England and Ireland. Much anxiety is felt for cross-channel steamers.

A \$1,000,000 fire visited Hanover, Ont., destroying the Kitchell factory, the largest furniture industry in Canada.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21.

Alderman Lareau, of Montreal is dead.

There is a serious grain freight blockade at Portland, Maine.

The Dominion cabinet has decided that Morrison shall hang at Regina.

The Goldbrook rolling mills, near St. John, N. B., were destroyed by fire.

A number of houses at Beaver Falls, Pa., were wrecked by a gas explosion.

Thomas Lennox and two daughters were killed by an express train near Barrie, Ont.

Trooper Mulloy, the blind Canadian, will receive a pension from the British government.

A definite system of government is needed at once in China to prevent anti-foreign outbreaks.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20.

A serious fire visited Blyth, Ont.

Sir Charles Tupper, Bart., was banqueting in Winnipeg.

Four new steamers will ply between Toronto and Havre.

Cattle in the Bois-Sevian district are affected by tuberculosis.

A million dollar street car system is in sight for Dawson.

Three persons were drowned in Hata Lake, Copper Mountain district.

Several persons were injured in an electric street car collision at Jim. Ind.

Mrs. Evans, Toronto, widow of an ex-alderman, was killed by an electric car.

There is a report that 200 Christians were killed by Moslems in Turkish provinces.

The financial loss of the Paris exposition is placed at two million francs.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19.

Morocco has settled the U. S. claims.

Lord Strathcona was installed lord rector of Aberdeen university.

For a seat on the New York exchange, \$50,000 was paid.

All the powers have accepted Great Britain's new demand in China.

The new blast furnace at Midland, Ont., was christened by Premier Ross.

Paul Antoine, the French consul at San Francisco has died from injuries inflicted by himself.

Channing B. Barnes, the train robber, who held up the Chicago Limited mail, committed suicide in a Louisiana swamp.

It is calculated that 16,000 farmers from the United States have arrived in Canada this year, bringing \$7,000,000 in money and effects.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18.

The steamer City of Topeka is ashore in Lima canal.

Lu Hing Chang is suffering from influenza.

Navigation is still open at Fort Athabasca and Port Arthur.

Mr. Joseph Martin, M. P., is seriously ill in a Vancouver hospital.

Several Atlantic liners are delayed by storms, and are now days overdue.

The steamship Alpha, of Vancouver, foundered on an island north of Nainaimo.

Charles Nostrom, a C. P. R. sectionman, was killed by a C. P. R. train east of Rat Portage.

The C. P. R. has decided to adopt electricity on their line between Rossland and Robson.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17.

Governor Green, of Toronto, is dead.

Col. Robert Lewis, of London, Ont. is dead.

The British parliament was prorogued Saturday.

The Garrison church, Halifax, was destroyed by fire.

Senator power may become speaker of the senate.

The New South Wales wheat crop estimate is 17,000,000 bushels.

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Banks.	Sellers.	Buyers.
Montreal Bank	255	
War Eagle	105	102
Molson's	191	190
Toronto	240	
Merchants	167	154
Payne	85	75
Miscellaneous.		
Commercial cable	173	170 1/2
Montreal Tel.	175	167 1/2
Rich & Ont. Nav.	110	107 1/2
City Pass.	275	271
Halifax Ry.	95	
Montreal Gas	203	202
Toronto Ry.	109	108
Duluth Pref.	16	
C. P. R., Montreal	88	87 1/2
C. P. R., London	80 1/2	

FOREIGN MONEY.	
Quoted by Alloway & Champion, 362 Main Street, Winnipeg.	
Richmarks	\$0.323 1/2
Austrian Gulden	30 1/2
Holland Guilders	39
France	39
Russian Roubles	50 1/2

WINNIPEG MARKETS.	
Wheat—No. 1 hard, Fort William, 70 1/2.	
Flour—Lake of the Woods Five Roses, \$2.10; Patent, \$1.95; Modora, \$1.60; XXXX, \$1.35; Ogilvie Milling company's Hungarian, \$2.10; Glenora, Patent, \$1.95; Manitoba, \$1.90, and Imperial XXXX \$1.20 per sack of 98 pounds.	
Mill Feed—Bran \$13 per ton, bagged, shorts, \$15 per ton.	
Ground Feed—Oat chop, \$25 per ton; barley chop, \$19; mixed barley and oats, \$23; corn chop, \$20.	
Oats—33 to 35c per bushel.	
Barley—34 to 36c per bushel.	
Corn—43 to 44c per bushel.	
Flax—\$1.40 to \$1.45 per bushel.	
Hay—Fresh haled is quoted at \$7 to \$7.50 per ton on track here, and lower hay is worth about the same figure.	
Oatmeal—\$1.60 per sack of 80 pounds.	
Butter—Creamery—20c per pound.	
Butter—Dairy—Strictly fresh made 15 to 16 in packages, and fresh rolls 16c.	
Cheese—10 1/2 to 10 1/2c per pound.	
Eggs—18c per dozen.	
Vegetables—Potatoes, farmers' loads 40c per bushel; parsley, 30c; carrots and beets, 35c per bushel; turnips 20c per bushel; cabbage 30 to 40c per dozen; celery, 20c per dozen.	
Dressed Meats—Beef, country dressed, 4 to 4 1/2c; city dressed, 5c to 6c; steaks and rough beef, 4c to 4 1/2c; veal, 3c to 3 1/2c; mutton, 8c; lamb, 10c; hogs, 6 to 6 1/2c.	
Poultry—Dressed chickens 7 to 8c per lb; ducks 9 to 10c; geese, 9c to 10c; turkeys, 11 to 12c.	
Hides—6c for frozen hides, flat rate; 5 lb. tare. Kips same price as hides; broken skins, 25 to 35c each.	
Sheepskins, 15c for fresh killed.	
Wool—8 to 8 1/2c per pound for unwashed fleece and 12 1/2c for washed.	
Tallow—4c per pound.	
Sena Root—33 to 35c.	

His Theory.
A novel explanation of the cause of thunder showers was once given by a sojourner in a little Nova Scotia town by one of the inhabitants.
"Do you know what makes thunder?" the Nova Scotian inquired of his guest. "I've got a theory of my own, and I call it a pretty good one."
"I should like to hear it," was the diplomatic reply.
"Well," said the host slowly, "my idea is this: You know we hear about the air circulating and circulating all the time. My notion is that the pore air from above comes down here in summer and gets foul with all the smoke and dirt and grease, and then the heat drives it up again into the clouds, and when it gets up there it's pressed on all sides by the clouds surrounding it, and it explodes." That's my theory. Of course, it's added, with becoming modesty, "other folks may have other theories."

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E. E. LAW,
EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1900.

"Let us have faith that right makes might; and in that faith let us dare to do our duty as we understand it."

ELEVATOR QUESTION.

The proposition to build a farmers' elevator in this town is being earnestly discussed on all hands. There are few in the municipality but believe that one is necessary. So far as we can learn, however, the general opinion prevails that the only feasible plan is to erect it at the expense of the municipality. Such being the case the erection and details of control will rest with the Council.

Thus far we have opposed the principle of municipal ownership, because those interested advocated running it at a lower rate per bushel for storage than the price charged by the companies operating here, and because we did not believe in the municipality entering into any such undertaking unless on business principles. We admit that an elevator is required, as in a good year the capacity of the present elevators is insufficient. Let us have assurance that it will be run on strictly business principles and though we would prefer to see it built and run by the farmers themselves, if that is impossible we shall most certainly support the alternate plan of municipal ownership.

To one thing the farming community must make up their minds. If the position being circulated obtains the required signatures and the by-law carries, they will have to have the details to the Council. At present some are advocating putting a buyer on the market to bid against the companies. Others, as we said above, are in favor of a lower storage rate. These and other schemes are well enough for discussion, but we do not believe they will be adopted. We believe the Elevator Act prescribes a charge of 1 1/2 cents per bushel for storage and a municipal or any other elevator must be bound by this Act.

The question before the rate-payers, then, is not how shall the elevator be conducted, but shall we have one. Only on one condition may the eastern half of the municipal territory on a farmer's elevator in town, and that is that one be also built at McLean Station. If the western rate-payers be assured of this being done we can count on their support. Other wise they will oppose the erection of an elevator here. What is good

for this town is also good for McLean. An elevator there would probably induce farmers as far west as Balgonie to draw their grain to McLean and those with those living around McLean should have sufficient wheat to make an elevator there a good business proposition.

We believe many of the farmers are too optimistic in their views regarding increased price obtainable. If, however, the average gain from year to year is only one or two cents per bushel, yet it will be beneficial.

We would be in favor of including a by-law for the erection of a new town hall and having the three by-laws voted on at one time. There is little satisfaction in using the present hall which may be called into requisition at any time by the Dominion government for immigration purposes. If the elevators are placed on a business basis they should pay for themselves in a few years. Thus the chief expense would be for the hall.

After the elevators have been paid for the income therefrom, over and above running expenses, would naturally be turned into the general fund, thus reducing taxation, or at least, could be employed by the Council in making improvements that at present cannot be attempted.

Each succeeding year will, without a doubt, see an ever increasing acreage in wheat in this district. For these crops facilities for handling and shipping must be furnished and with this prospect in view there should be room for two more elevators in the municipality.

We have pointed out in a previous issue that in our opinion such an undertaking is scarcely in the line of municipal work, not being a public monopoly, but as the law allows it we shall not oppose it further on those grounds, provided always that no undue advantage is taken of the private companies operating in the municipality.

Our previous figures of \$6,000 as the cost of an elevator included a drying plant. This might be dispensed with leaving the estimated cost about \$4,000 to \$5,000.

We trust the farmers in their consideration of the project will keep the main point in view and leave the details to the Council for future consideration.

Territorial and General News.

Very little wheat is being stored this year. There are several stores which account for this, among them being a need of ready money, the lack of a prospect of better prices, and the fact that the elevators are required by the Grain Bill to make a charge of 1 1/2 cents per bushel for the first 15 days, and 1 cent per bushel for each succeeding 30 days. —Mossman World.

Z. M. Hamilton, for the past five months editor and publisher of the Macleod Gazette, has arrived in the city to take a position on the editorial staff of The Herald. Mr. Hamilton was for several years in the journalistic profession at Regina and is known throughout the Territories as an able and capable newspaper man. —Calgary Herald.

Fined for Stealing.

An interesting case came up at the December sitting of the Supreme Court at Regina, viz: Queen vs. Baxter. As we understand it Baxter thrashed for S. Gower of Leon Creek and had a right to take within thirty days thereafter sufficient grain to pay for work done. The grain was not taken until after the time had expired and thereupon the aid of a bailiff and writ was brought against Baxter for stealing. He was fined \$30 for one month.

PA BECOMES A BOY AGAIN.

What Happened When He Got a Few Goat Sells Thrown Into His Messy System.

When paw came home last night he says to maw:

"Well I been up against it." Maw she turned pale and says: "Don't worry, you don't mean to say you've went and spent that new seven-top-dollar suit of cloze."

Paw looked like Johnny Pickens. Did when the Teacher ask him how money is Nine Times six. But pawy soon he says:

"What do you mean?" "Have you been up against some paint?" maw ask.

Then paw life and says: "Now, I mean I been up against the Cure for Oldies. I got a Few Goat Sells throw into my system."

"Well," says Maw, "if you could get to talking plain English instead of that slang what seems to be the trouble?" Paw says: "The trouble is I can't understand what you mean wunst in a while. When you tells me you talkin' about, and Paw on earth did they throw them into your system?"

"Why don't you read the Papers?" Paw ask, says The Chicago Times Herald, "If you know that sometimes instead of spending so much time I don't get what the papers are for. I don't like a fellow wouldn't like to give you a diagram every time he said anything about what was going on. They are some Doctors here what have discovered how a person don't never most to get into his second coat and then they give you and make him give up what will he can stand just as well as not, and then they take and squirt them into a Man's Arm, and the First Thing you no his new Begins to get Licker and He Flies on His Knees and Licks His Hand. Then begins to sprout out on the Back Spot up on the Back of His Head, and pawy soon He's a Boy again. Jim Thurston Down to the clinic knows one of the Doctors, so He told me I would go with Him and give a Few sells pumped into us and see how it would work. It's Great stuff. They ain't no mistake about that."

Then Paw Grabbed maw and Begin Waitin' around the town. To show Her how young He felt, and She Broke away and when she was all out of Breath and says:

"I don't no whether Them Sells Can Turn a Man Back into a Boy or not, But they ain't no mistake that they can make a Good Deal of a note out of Him."

Paw he left, and then He walked under the Chandler's and says: "Do you see this Here Goat Bracket? It's three inches above my Head, But I'll Bet I can kick it."

So He Hauled Back and let Go, and the ring slips on the Hard floor and it ain't sure whether Paw turned one or Two Summers Back He come down. Nobody is night of Paw come, but every war He lit on the Back of His neck, and Distant Seem to take no interest in anything for a Long time.

Maw she was Lickin' Him With which hand and Cane and Thimble and a lot of other things nearly all nite, and just before I went to bed I thought I'd Cheer Him Up a little. So I stuck my Head in the door and said:

"Haw a!" "When I get up agin," paw says to maw, "I'm agin to take that Boy and when the Licker out of Him but what I'll make Him Larn to respect His father."

I never seen anybody That was as touchy as paw.

BISHOP QUIGLEY OF BUFFALO.

Popular Prelate Who Was Prominent in the Big Dock Laborers' Strike. Bishop James E. Quigley, the Roman Catholic prelate of Buffalo who has been



BISHOP QUIGLEY OF BUFFALO.

using all his power as a churchman and a citizen to bring the big strike of the dock laborers to a happy issue, is singularly popular in Buffalo with all classes of men, regardless of wealth or creed. His strength is accounted because he is a born Buffalonian and was personally known to rich and poor alike while he was still a little priest. Bishop Quigley is only 41 years old, and he has worn the purple stock for but three years. In the parish of the cathedral, he was born and has spent most of his life. His early brilliance attracted the attention of Archbishop Ryan, then in honor, through whose influence he was sent in 1873 to the University of Innsbruck in Austria, and later to the college of the propaganda in Rome. At the time of his ordination to the priesthood he was given the degree of doctor of divinity. Soon after his return to America he was made the pastor of the Buffalo cathedral, and in 1898 he was elevated to the episcopacy.

A fire on Christmas morning in Calgary caused a loss of \$100,000. Three of the best blocks were demolished.

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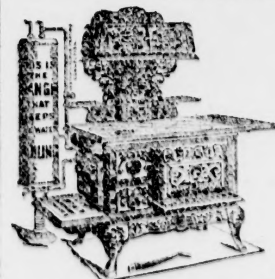
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To the editor and readers of THE PROGRESS we extend our best wishes for a happy and prosperous new year.

Rev. Father Hagouard was at Piquet's Reserve on Friday and Saturday.

Dr. Seymour paid a professional visit to Piquet on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gleason, of Indian Head, spent Christmas at the Industrial School.

Mr. A. Miles, of Vernon paid our people a dying visit on Sunday.

Mr. G. B. Schick spent Christmas with his family at Poplar Plains.

Mr. J. J. Smith is spending a few days renewing acquaintances at Regina.

The public school closed on Friday, 21st inst., for Christmas holidays. The closing exercises consisted in a public examination which was attended by several visitors, all of whom expressed themselves as highly pleased with the work and progress of the pupils.

We understand the Industrial School boys are making preparations to present a play at the school entertainment to take place about Jan. 6.

Christmas was appropriately observed at Leobret. The usual services of joy in commemoration of the birth of Christ were held in the Church of the Sacred Heart. At the midnight mass which was attended by a very large congregation a most edifying sermon was preached by Rev. Father Lacasse.

McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Birnie and party drove up to the capital on Monday for a day or two.

Mrs. Grosse souped off here for a few days to visit her mother, Mrs. John Plant and renew old acquaintances.

The skating rink is nearing completion and there is talk of a great opening night.

Jack Plant seems none the worse for the runaway reported in your issue of recent date. He is still looking for the roan pony.

Baigonic.

Mr. Wm. Gaudes returned from Indian Head last week.

Mr. J. K. Wilson, of Wilton & Weir, has gone back to Ontario. He expects to move out his family next spring. Such additions will always be very welcome to our town.

At the same time Mr. Robert Simpson, late teacher at Edenwold, left to visit friends in Ontario. He intends returning next spring with a carload of settler's effects with which to begin farming at Rouleau where he has taken up land.

Still another to depart east on pleasure and business bent is Mr. Wm. R. Johnston, cousin of Mr. W. H. Johnston, of this place.

Miss Lobb, teacher of Whitewood, is spending her Christmas holidays with Mrs. E. N. Weir, and Miss

Lindsay who has been teaching at Caron, is the guest of Mrs. T. A. Matchett.

The annual Christmas Tree given by the pupils of the public school passed off very nicely. The school was well filled notwithstanding the bad night, and all seemed to very much enjoy the varied programme.

Edgeley Echoes.

The last of our young men to leave for the winter was Mr. H. A. Pessant who took in the Ontario excursion last week. He will visit his many friends and relatives in different parts of Ontario. His numerous friends wish him a pleasant visit and a safe return.

All are pleased with the result of the polling in connection with the municipal elections. The majority feel that Messrs. Jones and Johnston have done good work in the Council and are the right men in the right place.

Mr. Jas. Murray, of Loon Creek, last week visited his many friends of this district.

Mr. Thos. Stevenson visited Edgeley on business last Saturday.

Miss Hoekin, of Qu'Appelle, is visiting Miss Hamblly.

Mr. Joseph Booth recently left to spend the winter with relatives near Wolseley.

Mr. John Carter, who has been visiting T. J. Wilson for the past two weeks, left on Monday's train for his home in Claudeboye, Ont. He stopped off on his way east to visit relatives at Virden and Winnipeg.

Mr. John Cass is spending the winter with relatives in Ontario.

School closed for the year on Friday, 21st inst. It will re-open for the New Year on Wednesday, Jan. 2nd, when all the pupils are requested to be in attendance.

Mr. T. J. Wilson visited Egg Lake district on Monday.

A number of our young folks took in the Agricultural Ball held in town last Thursday evening. All report having had an excellent time. The refreshments served were of a high order and the music was simply grand, almost forcing one to dance against his will. The very large crowd present, many being from a distance, testified to the success of the reunion.

The annual Christmas Tree in connection with S. Thomas' Church, Vernon, will take place in Edgeley hall on New Year's eve, commencing at 6 o'clock. A pleasant and instructive time is expected to be spent with the children. A magic lantern exhibition will also be given. The entertainment is for the church people and their invited friends alone.

Last week we had the pleasure of receiving a letter from Mr. F. G. Whittingham, who is now visiting friends and relatives in Ontario. At time of writing Mr. W. was in Wingham, with his cousin, Mr. David Bell. As the weather was pleasant and the Xmas festivities approaching, Mr. W. and his children were enjoying life.



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War Summary.

Lord Kitchener is bringing thousands of troops down from the north to quell the Cape Colony Dutch troubles. The Boers have abandoned Britstown, after commencing all supplies. Kitchener is personally attending to the reported uprising in Victoria West, with which district he is well acquainted. All railway lines are tied up north of Cape Colony. Col. Otter and his men were welcomed at Toronto. The westerners reach home today. One thousand volunteers for the South African Mounted Police will probably be called for in Canada.

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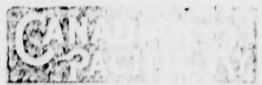
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Total Destruction of Knechtel Furniture Factory and Many Other Buildings.

Hanover, Ont., Dec. 22.—The Knechtel furniture factory, the largest furniture factory in Canada, has gone up in smoke. At 5 o'clock yesterday morning the factory was discovered on fire and in a few minutes clouds of smoke and flames of fire leaped in every direction. The factory covered about two acres and not a wall is left standing. About ten million feet of lumber in the yard and the saw mill were saved. The cause of the fire is unknown. The amount of the loss and the insurance is not known definitely at present, as both Mr. Daniel Knechtel, the head of the firm, and Mr. J. S. Knechtel, the secretary and treasurer, are in Toronto.

The fire spread to the adjoining buildings, and the following places were completely consumed: The Knechtel furniture factory, Greutzel Furniture company and undertaking establishment, P. Pöhlmann and company, flour and feed, B. F. Ahrens, hardware, Craft and Wepper, general dry goods, W. Roloff, photographer, H. Maurer, blacksmith and carriage works, Charles Doepl, flour and feed. The total loss is thought to be about \$1,000,000.

Mr. Taylor, one of the Knechtel company's partners, was very badly burned and it is feared several lives are lost, as the men who were seen going into the building have not been seen since. One boy had a broken leg. The town has no proper fire fighting appliances, and the firemen kindly sent their hook and ladder company to help. Palmerston and Chesley also offered to send their engines. The village of Neustadt sent up their hand fire engine, which did good work in saving the lumber. It was a calm night and the whole town would have been wiped out.

Daniel Knechtel has spent a lifetime in building up the factory and it was a magnificent structure filled with the latest machinery and in about four hours nothing was left but a mass of crumbling walls. Over 200 men are thrown out of employment by the fire. As soon as Mr. Knechtel heard of the fire in Toronto he hired a special train, and is expected home some time tonight.

WILL LAND AT HALIFAX.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—The steamer Lake Champlain, from Liverpool, having on board men of the first contingent under Col. Otter, passed Cape Race, Newfoundland, and arrived at 10 o'clock yesterday morning.

All are well. The vessel should reach Halifax on Saturday night, and considering the bad weather that has been experienced lately, she has made a remarkably good run.

The Elder Dempster company have received an order from the militia department to have the troops on the Lake Champlain land at Halifax, and all arrangements made at St. John are excellent. The vessel is due at Halifax at 9 o'clock on Saturday night, and will disembark at 1 a. m. on Sunday.

WOMAN'S TERRIBLE SECRET.

New York, Dec. 21.—A dispatch from London says: An extraordinary story of a woman's terrible secret has been wired from Ostend to the Daily Mail. Some seven years ago three Belgian workmen were tried and found guilty of having committed a series of crimes, among them the murder of an elderly woman at Hantmond.

Although they pleaded their ignorance until the last, one of them was sentenced to imprisonment for life and the other two were hanged. Now a woman named Soumagne has just denounced her husband, who she says, committed the crime. She is said to be quite sane and the authorities are investigating her charge.

GAMBLERS' DEN AFOAT.

London, Dec. 21.—Englishmen, fond of gambling, are delighted over the news that a syndicate has been formed to buy an obsolete Atlantic liner and fit her up as a miniature Monte Carlo Casino. The promoters propose to moor her off the English coast, just outside the three-mile limit and run a big game place in the English channel, just off Brighton, has been chosen. Launches will run back and forth to meet London trains. The cost of the ship and the outfitting is estimated at \$250,000, while more than that will be subscribed to the stake bank. The boat will be a floating hotel as well as a gambling resort.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 20.—Capitalists believe that the city has come to stay. The announcement that the Alaska Commercial company will put in machine shops and boat building plants had hardly gotten cold when the proposal of the Alaskan Exploration company to build a million dollar street car system came to the front.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Telegrams and Cablegrams Condensed.

Port Said, Dec. 22.—The United States battleship Kentucky arrived here at 8 a. m. today.

Kingston, Dec. 22.—Wm. J. Welch, of St. Catharines, has been appointed professor of modern languages at Regiopolis college.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The Hay-Pauncefote treaty, as amended by the foreign relations committee, was ratified by the senate yesterday. The vote was 55 to 18.

Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—The employees of the C. P. R. have been notified to make out a full record of their work with the company since their engagement and forward it to head offices.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—The manufacture of paper was commenced in the new mill at Hull last week, less than eight months after the destructive fire there.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—Trooper Malloy, Winchester, received information from the secretary that he is to receive from the British government a pension of two shillings and six pence per day.

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Alderman Lacroix, president of the Butchers' association, died this morning of pneumonia. His name has been prominently associated with the recent investigation into the city market scandal.

London, Dec. 22.—Considerable activity is now manifested at Aldershot. A large draft of mounted will be ready to start for South Africa January 6, while others have been notified to hold themselves in readiness for the same destination.

Windsor, Dec. 22.—Geo. Bliss, local agent of the Singer Sewing machine company, was arrested yesterday on a charge of embezzlement. The district manager of the company claimed that Bliss was over \$400 short in his accounts. He was let out on bail.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—At a meeting of the cabinet yesterday an order-in-council was passed allowing the law to take its course in the case of Morrison, who is charged with a family at Mossburn. Morrison will, therefore, be hanged on the date set for his execution.

St. Paul, Dec. 22.—Local press feeders went out on strike yesterday because employers refused to open a contract which had set three years to run and to grant 40 per cent increase. As a result the offices have all been declared a pen and the strike bursters about 100 vacancies.

New York, Dec. 22.—The steamship Maestri now on her way from here across the Atlantic, carries the largest mail that ever left this port on a vessel. The Atlantic will not arrive on the other side until the day after Christmas, but she carries 2,398 bags of mail and 114 sacks containing 18,936 registered letters.

Cavite, Dec. 22.—Fifteen troops of the Fourth cavalry and five of the crew were landed from the gunboat Basco yesterday, at Limabue, Cavite province, and surprised 80 insurgents. A sharp skirmish for half an hour ensued and thirteen insurgents were killed; twelve rifles were captured, and a large amount of stores destroyed, with a loss of one soldier wounded.

New York, Dec. 22.—E. T. Bedford, of the Standard Oil Co., confirms the report that several large capitalists identified with the corporation are about to organize a \$3,000,000 glucose company to operate a large plant at Shady Side, N. J., independent of the Glucose Sugar Refining company, or any other company. The new plant is to have a capacity of 20,000 bushels a day, and this may be doubled later.

Madrid, Dec. 22.—During the discussion in the senate of the royal message announcing the marriage in the near future of the Princess of Austria, heiress presumptive to the throne, with Prince Charles, second duke of the Count of Caserta, Senator Ortega, a republican, raised a storm of protest by recalling the conspiracy of the Bourbon princes against other Bourbon royalists, which he feared this marriage would have a tendency to renew. Amidst insults from all parts of the house the speaker was finally called to order.

New York, Dec. 21.—There is a penny famine in the Western States and the Philadelphia mint is working overtime in an effort to meet the demand. By working the force until 10 o'clock at night, the superintendent is able to send out 800,000 pennies a day, and it is possible that he may break the record by reaching the million mark. There is always a large demand for cents during the Christmas season, and this year the demand is greater than ever. Fourteen presses are turning out the blanks and to expedite matters the blanks are bought by weight from a brass factory in Waterbury, Conn., whence they are shipped to the mint by the railroad.

RAIDING THE CAPE.

SEVERAL BANDS OF BOERS CROSS THE ORANGE RIVER.

Heavy Cannonading Heard Near Krugersdorp—Clement Engaging Delarey.

Cape Colony, Dec. 21.—The invasion of Cape Colony is spreading. It is reported that the Boers have occupied Golsburg, South of Philippolis, and near the Orange River Colony frontier. The people here are much disturbed. A mixed force of 1,000 men was despatched north yesterday evening.

HEAVY CANNONADING HEARD.

London, Dec. 21.—A special from Johannesburg, dated Dec. 20, says that heavy cannonading was heard this morning north of Krugersdorp.

As cabled yesterday, from Krugersdorp, Transvaal, a pitched battle was then in progress between the British under General Clements, who had been reinforced, and the Boers under General Delarey.

KITCHENER IS HOPEFUL.

London, Dec. 21.—The following dispatch has been received from Gen. Kitchener, dated Pretoria, Wednesday, Dec. 20:

"A party of Boers, estimated at from 500 to 800, has crossed the Orange river at Rhenoster Hoek. A second band is reported to have crossed near Sand Drift. They have been followed. I have sent a considerable body of mounted men who are getting around them. The Boers from Rhenoster Hoek are being followed closely from Ventersdorp, which they left at 3 o'clock yesterday evening, going in the direction of Steynburg. The important points on the railway and the neighborhood are well guarded. I hope the band will soon be driven north again."

N. P. OPERATORS.

St. Paul, Dec. 21.—The grievance committee of the Northern Pacific telegraph operators, consisting of eight members, and headed by Geo. Hampton, of Tacoma, Wash., is in St. Paul, and has presented the new schedule for the Northern Pacific road to the officials of the company. It provides for a ten per cent increase in the wages of operators in large cities, or a raise of \$5 a month. In the outside towns an increase of from \$5 to \$15 a month is asked, according to the hardships these operators endure. Some of the latter act as ticket agents, baggage masters, station clerks and general utility men. The night operators in St. Paul and similar places work eight hours and thirty minutes, with thirty minutes for luncheon. The new schedule asks that the working time be reduced to eight hours straight, including the half hour for luncheon. The day operators, who now work nine hours and a half, ask for a day of nine hours and 40 minutes within that time for dinner. They wish to be placed on the same footing as railroad clerks, who work nine hours, with half a day off on Saturday.

TWO DAYS' BATTLE.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The state department has received a cablegram from the United States charge d'affaires, Beaupre, at Bogota, stating that a great battle has been fought at Grand point, Magdalena river, Colombia, which lasted two days and resulted in a decisive victory for the government. It is reported that 500 were killed and many hundreds wounded. Other victories by the government forces of the utmost importance have been announced. The government is celebrating the victories and considers itself greatly strengthened.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Potsdam, Dec. 21.—Councillor of Commerce Sanden, recently a director of the Prussian Hypothekbank, was arrested this morning and confined in the Moabit prison.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 21.—An explosion of natural gas at Beaver Falls, Pa., today wrecked a number of houses and seriously injured several persons. The explosion was caused by a leak in the main.

Madrid, Dec. 21.—The cabinet council has decided to present to the chamber the project of a sale to the United States of Cayman island and other islands of the Philippine group.

Amsterdam, Dec. 21.—Mr. Kruger attended a crowded meeting today in the Nieuwe Kerk. The speakers declared Great Britain had sold her birthright for a handful of gold, and that the continental powers would forever bear the brand of Cain unless they intervened in South Africa.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 21.—Twenty-five thousand dollars in gold was paid by Edward A. Cudahy, the millionaire packer, as a ransom for his son Edward Cudahy, Jr., who was abducted by a gang of kidnapers last Tuesday night.

FROM BOTH HEMISPHERES.

Important News Condensed into Brief Paragraphs.

Winnipeg, Dec. 21.—The right of way is being pushed ahead rapidly for the electric railway between here and Selkirk.

Oakville, Dec. 21.—Fire early this morning in Henry Wilson's store on Colborne street did \$30,000 damage before it was checked.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Albert Hudson, an ex-railway engineer and identified with labor interests, got one year imprisonment today for forgery.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—At the convention of West York Liberals yesterday, W. J. Hill, W.P.P., was re-nominated as candidate for the legislature.

Quebec, Dec. 21.—Mr. R. Turner, M. L. C., has received a cablegram from his son, Major Turner, stating that he is returning to Canada via England.

Philadelphia, Dec. 21.—The establishment of the Franklin-Baker company, manufacturers of shredded coconut, was badly damaged by fire last night. Loss, \$150,000.

Liverpool, Dec. 21.—The Cunard liner Saxonia brought 6,000 turkeys from America, most of them from Canada. On its last trip the ship brought 21,000 barrels of turkeys.

New York, Dec. 21.—James J. Jeffries and Gus Ruhlin today signed articles of agreement to box 20 rounds, Marquis of Queensbury rules, at the Seagramst hall, Cincinnati, on Feb. 15 next.

London, Dec. 21.—A dispatch to the Daily Express from Vienna reports recent Moslem excesses against the Christian population in the central provinces of Turkey, where 200 Christians have been killed.

London, Dec. 21.—Ambassador Choate denies the report that he is about to resign his post, which, he says, is based on the belief that the death of his purger, Charles C. Beaman, would necessitate his return to law practice.

Boston, Dec. 21.—Geo. McFadden, of New York, and Patsy Sweney, of Manchester, N.H., fought one of the fastest battles in Boston for years last night. Both men were full of energy at the end of the fifteenth round, so that no other decision but a draw could be given. Patsy Haley was the referee.

London, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Thomas McCormick, wife of one of London's best known business men, died suddenly about noon, at the family residence, Grand avenue, South London. Mrs. McCormick had been ailing for some time past, but was at church twice on Sunday, and on Monday attended the funeral of Col. Lewis.

Pekin, Dec. 21.—At the meeting of the foreign ministers this evening everything in regard to the terms of the joint note were agreed, including the British modifications. The ministers refuse to disclose anything in connection with the matter, believing that the home governments should give the particulars to the public.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—At a meeting of the civic committee to investigate the affairs of the Toronto Industrial exhibition, Exhibition Manager Hill said J. O. Thorne told him over the telephone he had no complaints to make. Thorne retorted: "That is a lie." It is shown that 99,341 dead-heads were admitted at the last exhibition.

London, Dec. 21.—The British steamer Somerset, from Newport News, Dec. 1, for Ipswich, passed the Lizard today, having in tow the Red Star line steamer Westland, Captain Eloff, which had sailed from Antwerp, Dec. 15, for New York. The Westland had lost her propeller and the Somerset was towing her to Southampton.

Manila, Dec. 20.—Lieut. Herbert R. Evans, of the 44th volunteer infantry regiment, with 50 men attacked Dec. 12, several hundred riflemen and 50 insurgents armed with rifles occupying an entrenched position at Panoxigan, Island of Cebu. The Americans had three men wounded and the enemy lost twelve men killed and many wounded.

La Valetta, Malta, Dec. 21.—Empress William cabled to the Vice-Admiral Sir John Fisher, commander-in-chief of the British Mediterranean station, sincerely thanking him for his offer to send assistance to the Goeben. His majesty answered: "Your action shows once again that sailors are comrades of the world over, and that blood is thicker than water."

The Hague, Dec. 21.—Baron Von Oldenlaender, minister of the Netherlands in London, has notified the British government that as the Netherlands was not party to the frontier dispute between Great Britain and Venezuela, the government of the Netherlands cannot consider itself bound by the decision of the Paris arbitration award demarcating the Anglo-Dutch frontier.

TELEGRAMS CONDENSED.

World's News in Condensed Paragraphs.

Montreal, Dec. 19.—C. P. R. receipts for the week ending Dec. 14 were \$546,000, for the same week last year, \$652,000.

London, Dec. 19.—At the inquest held on the body of Lady Katherine Manners, the jury decided she committed suicide while insane.

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—Sir Louis Davies authorizes a contradiction of the story that the government intends starting a Canadian Lloyds.

Vancouver, Dec. 19.—Joseph Martin, M. P. P., is in a low state of health, and is now under medical treatment at St. Paul's hospital.

Bonnyville, Md., Dec. 19.—John Rolla, colored, was lynched here tonight. He was an accomplice of Henderson and Rowland, who were hanged last night.

Fort William, Dec. 19.—Navigation is still open to this port and neither the bay at Port Arthur nor the river at this place contains enough ice to stop vessels from entering at pleasure.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The senate has reached an agreement to vote on the Hay-Pauncefote treaty next Thursday beginning with votes on the acts at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Philadelphia, Dec. 19.—Gus Ruhlin last night at the Pennsylvania Athletic club bested Peter Maher in one of the fastest fights between heavy weights that has been seen for some time.

Sheboygan, Wis., Dec. 19.—The immense plant of Zeschische & Sons, tanners, was totally destroyed by fire. The cause of the fire is unknown. Loss, \$180,000, fully insured.

Rome, Dec. 19.—The Messagero asserts that the King of Italy, Victor Emmanuel, has informed the premier, Signor Giolitti, that the queen will become a mother about six months hence.

St. Catharines, Dec. 17.—A man named Samuel Hallett, employed as a teamster by the Hendrie company, St. Catharines, was killed Thursday last. It is feared he has fallen into the raceway and been drowned.

Berlin, Dec. 19.—A dispatch received here from Pekin, Dec. 16, says 15 Hung Chang is suffering from influenza. The dispatch also denies that the dowager empress is going to Cheng Tu, province of Sze Chun.

Kingston, Dec. 19.—John Kelly, an Ontario hotel keeper, has undergone an operation in Montreal, hospital lately, in the cutting of a "V" shaped piece, an inch or more in length, from the point of his tongue. He stood the operation without an anesthetic.

Port Portage, Dec. 19.—The C.P.R. west local struck a hand-car today near Scoville, on which were three men. C. Noistrom, a Swede, was killed. The body was taken to Hat Portage. The other two men were uninjured. Noistrom leaves a wife and family at Scoville.

Boston, Dec. 19.—The three-masted schooner Joseph Eaton Junior, of Barnstable, Captain Greenlaw, bound from New York for Rockland, is believed to have foundered with all hands. She was last seen on the Nantucket shoals, just prior to a terrific gale, on Dec. 4. She carried a crew of six men all told.

Halifax, Dec. 19.—Steps are being taken by the temperance bodies of Halifax to introduce a prohibitory liquor law in the provincial legislature at the approaching session. Temperance men say they think this is their opportunity time, for it will likely be the last session of the legislature before dissolution, and a general election.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 19.—In spite of the vigilance of the Dominion and civic authorities to keep out smallpox, two brothers named Saint, from Skagway, got through the lines at Huntington and are now in the pest house. Although Vancouver had smallpox all around her she managed by increasing efforts to keep out disease for six months. It is now with us.

Washington, Dec. 19.—It is said at the navy department that a serious loss has been suffered by the navy department, in the fire at the Norfolk navy yard yesterday. The money loss is of secondary importance. The fire destroyed valuable records that cannot be replaced and many necessary plans which can only be replaced at much expense of time and money.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Representative Ray, of New York, today introduced a bill for the suppression of train robbery in the territories of the United States and elsewhere. It provides the death penalty for those guilty of a "hold-up" in the case of the death of any person on the train results. In case no one is killed the penalty is hard labor from twenty to thirty years.

The Qu'Appelle Progress.

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HUXLEY WAS A SMOKER.

So His Speech to the Anti-Slavery League Was Disappointing.

The late Professor Huxley during one of his lecturing tours received an invitation to preside at a meeting to be held the following night by the Anti-Slavery League. Huxley somewhat surprised, the professor accepted the invitation and the following evening was duly installed in the chair. There was a large gathering, and the learned gentleman received a hearty reception.

"Ladies and gentlemen," said the professor on rising, "I shall open this meeting by relating a little incident which occurred some years ago. I was on a visit to a very dear friend of mine who was at that time deeply interested in a discovery then recently made in connection with science, and being much interested in the same subject myself, we frequently exchanged views, which naturally led to much animated discussion. However, notwithstanding the similarity of our tastes in various studies, there was one point on which we differed—my friend was an inveterate smoker, while I, on the contrary, detested tobacco in any form. [Great applause.]

"After dinner we usually retired to his study in order to discuss the important discovery. Finding myself one of these occasions nearly suffocated with the smoke from my friend's cigar I mildly expostulated, whereupon, pushing the cigars toward me, he exclaimed, 'Take one yourself, old man; it's the best remedy.' Knowing from experience it would be impossible to induce him to relinquish his, I reluctantly took a cigar and smoked it, and since that time, ladies and gentlemen, nothing on earth would induce me—[suppressed applause]—would induce me," resumed the learned chairman, "to forego my after dinner weed." Tablenn!

I was cured of Acute Bronchitis by MINARD'S LINIMENT. Bay of Islands. J. M. Campbell.

I was cured of Facial Neuralgia by MINARD'S LINIMENT. Springhill, N.S. Wm. Daniels.

I was cured of Chronic Rheumatism by MINARD'S LINIMENT. Albert Co., N.B. George Tingley.

How Nature Works.

Nature may be the best physician, but her business methods as a bookkeeper would scandalize a Monte Carlo roulette gambler. Saving tokens to harvest pests would be considered poor farming, but the "mystic manager of the organic universe" scatters 5,000 acorns to raise one oak and 2,500,000,000,000 eggs to evolve one atom. The experimental work of her pottery shop has covered the neighboring fields with hillocks of shards. Every species of living animals, according to Professor Huxley, has been developed at the expense of scores of less perfect entities.

Twice as Big.

"I notice that you refer to my illustration of a monster named Wilhelm," remarked the lecturer. "Why not Wilhelm double?"

"But, your highness," stammered the eloquent one before him.

"Oh, that's all right. You may speak of me as Wilhelm, for Double Grosse."

There can be a difference of opinion on most subjects, but there is only one opinion as to the reliability of Moore's Gravel Worm Expeller. It is safe, sure and effective.

Editor Against Long Skirts.

The local board of health in one of the districts of Vienna has placed placards in all the public gardens and parks directing the women who visit these places to hold up their skirts if they trail on to the ground. The notice states that as these indiscretions are the cause of the recreation of the people, it is necessary to direct them to the authorities in order to be exempt from any blame by the health authorities.

HEART DISEASE

is a symptom of Kidney Disease. A well-known doctor has said, "I never yet made a post-mortem examination in a case of death from Heart Disease without finding that the kidneys were at fault." The Kidney medicine which was first on the market, most successful for Heart Disease and all Kidney Troubles, was widely imitated.

**Dodd's
Kidney
Pills**

DYSPEPSIA AND HEADACHE.

An Effectively Easy Test of Her Cure Through the Use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills After a Score of Other Remedies Had Failed.

Dyspepsia causes more genuine distress than most diseases that afflict mankind. In this country from one case of another its victims are numbered by the hundreds of thousands, and those afflicted always feel tired, worn out and miserable and are subject to fits of melancholy or of temper without apparent cause. It is obvious that the human body, in order to perform its functions, must be properly nourished, and this cannot be done when the food is improperly digested. Those who suffer from indigestion should exercise discretion as to what and how much they eat. Foods should be taken that require less than the required blood, more attention in order that the stomach may be strengthened, and the secretion of the gastric juices properly carried on. There is no other indication offered the public that will act so promptly and effectively as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Proof of this is given in the case of Mrs. J. N. Dunderidge, St. Saviour, Que. In conversation with a reporter, Mrs. Dunderidge said: "For quite a number of years I have been a terrible sufferer from dyspepsia, accompanied by the sick headache that almost invariably comes with this trouble. I suffered from terrible pains in the stomach, bloating, belching, with wind. All food seemed to disagree with me, and as a result of the trouble I was very much run down, and at times I was unable to do even light housework. I am sure I tried a score of different medicines, but without success, and as I am sixty years of age, I had come to believe that it was hopeless to expect a cure. A friend who had used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills with good results, urged me to try this medicine, and my husband brought home a couple of boxes. Before they were finished, I felt much better, and we then got another half dozen boxes, and these have completely restored my health, and I not only feel better than I have done for years, but actually feel younger. I very cheerfully recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to similar sufferers. If your dealer does not keep these pills, they will be sent postpaid at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, by Dr. J. C. Williams, Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

GLEANINGS.

Women clean the streets of Cannes, the cleanest town in the world.

A citizen of Lewiston, Me., has a watch chain made of peach stones. Each of the stones is carved so each side in a different device, so that there are 18 designs. The stones are joined with links of gold, the whole making a rich and novel chain.

In Edinburgh, Ind., a hotel has been run exclusively for women for 50 years. A woman built the hotel and ran it for 17 years; then it was sold to the present owner, who has been running it for 23 years. A London boarder remained at the hotel 25 years.

Six years ago there were only five clubs in the United States Golf association. Now there are 25 associate and 225 allied clubs on the roll. There now are 27,000 members, 29 states or territories leagues subordinate to the United States Golf association.

Berlin's highest building, apart from the churches, is the 11th floor high chimney of the electric elevated road power house. Only one inch of the chimney is less than that of the next cathedral, 330 feet, and that of the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial church 340 feet.

\$100 REWARD \$100.

The reader of this paper will be pleased to learn that there will be a grand display of the famous "Halls of Catharine" in the city of Montreal. The exhibition, which is a grand success, is a grand success, is a grand success. The exhibition, which is a grand success, is a grand success. The exhibition, which is a grand success, is a grand success.

How Nature Works.

Scarcely a field of corn or sewage is the discovery made by Dr. Letts, professor of chemistry in the Belfast college, and his co-discoverer Mr. H. W. Thorne of the same college, says a London newspaper. Their attention had been called to large quantities of putrefying sewage outside Belfast and Dublin. Investigation proved that the growth of the moss depended largely on the sewage, and that the water and that, in fact, it only flourished in localities where such pollution existed. The results of Professor Letts' experiments were recently communicated to the chemical society of the British association.

Molten Wood.

After fireproof wood has come molten wood, a French discovery. This new body is hard but can be shaped and polished at will. It is impervious to water and acids and is a perfect electrical insulator. It is the invention of M. de Gail, inspector of forests at Lunan, France. Its means of dry distillation and high pressure the escape of developing gases is prevented thereby reducing the wood to a molten condition. After cooling off the mass assumes the character of coal, without showing a trace of the original construction of that mineral.

OPENING OYSTERS.

A New England Man Tells How It Should Be Done.

"People around New York do not seem to understand opening oysters," said the New England man, "while in the most important places in Rhode Island or Massachusetts there are experts. Here you all have a regular instrument for it, while in New England a man can open an oyster with nothing but a knife and do it quicker than any one can do it, without breaking the shell. Here you have a lock of ligament wire, with a cold chisel or something of that nature standing up in the center. On that the man breaks the edge of the oyster shell and the press them open with his finger, without breaking the shell. Here you have a lock of ligament wire, with a cold chisel or something of that nature standing up in the center. On that the man breaks the edge of the oyster shell and the press them open with his finger, without breaking the shell. Here you have a lock of ligament wire, with a cold chisel or something of that nature standing up in the center. On that the man breaks the edge of the oyster shell and the press them open with his finger, without breaking the shell."

"To open oysters as Aleck did you lay the oyster with the rounded half of the shell in the hollow of your left hand with the hinge to the wrist. Down about an inch or an inch and a half from the hinge is what Aleck called an eye, and in that he would insert his knife, giving a quick upward motion, and the upper shell was off in a jiffy, the oyster lying as clean as possible in the hollow shell. It was out if it had to come out with another quick motion of the knife. There is really only a little knack to it. "There was never an oyster that Aleck could not open and with his eyes open or shut, drunk or sober. Aleck was proud of his experience as an oyster opener in a county of oyster openers, and it was when he was drunk that he was most likely to give exhibitions. Aleck was one of those men who are never drunk in their legs. The liquor made him talk, and he had an unquenchable desire to show off."

"On the occasions of his special spree he was likely to take himself out of town to Boston or Providence, and once he got as far away from home as Chicago. His habit when he reached the strange place was to drop into an oyster place and tell the man opening oysters that he didn't know anything about his business. Aleck in his best clothes did not have the appearance of being in the oyster opening business. The result would be that there would be a challenge, and Aleck would always come out ahead. He could open oysters behind his back almost as quickly as he could holding them in sight."

ON THE FINE LINE.

Ladies of Canada: Side by side stood Canada's noble sons with the best brains of Ceylon and India in the recent unpleasantness. The slogan was "help one another," and no one forgot the watchword. You, ladies of Canada, have the power to wage a real warfare on the impure teas that come into your homes from China and Japan, and at the same time assist your brother colonists who produce the pure Ceylon and India teas. If you drink Japan tea, tea from Salada, Wonsan or Blue Ridge, the products of Ceylon and India teas—Colonists.

Pulling Strength of Elephants.

It is difficult to ascertain the pulling strength of an elephant for the simple reason that the strongest animals we have in captivity are not the possessors of the secret temper, and according to their keepers are afraid of allowing them to be attached to dynamometers, not caring to speculate as to what the result would be were the mammal to "break a leg."

Tests which have been made with engine-sized animals have proven that a healthy young elephant of 18 months of age can haul a ton and a half of weight. In order to get a clear idea of what elephants it takes to haul a pair of powerful horses could only regard a ton and a half as their normal effort, and as such a feat is a feat. Let us hope that the world's elephants are not so weak.

LA "TOSCANA," RELIANCE CIGAR FACTORY, Montreal.

The World's Letters. One of the Bulletin reviews publishes a compilation on the number of letters distributed annually throughout the world. It gives the total as 12,000,000,000. Of these it says 8,000,000,000 are in English, 1,200,000,000 in German, 1,000,000,000 in French, 200,000,000 in Italian, 120,000,000 in Spanish, 100,000,000 in Portuguese, 100,000,000 in Dutch, 100,000,000 in Russian, 100,000,000 in Chinese, 100,000,000 in Japanese, 100,000,000 in Arabic, 100,000,000 in Persian, 100,000,000 in Hindustani, 100,000,000 in Malay, 100,000,000 in Thai, 100,000,000 in Vietnamese, 100,000,000 in Burmese, 100,000,000 in Siamese, 100,000,000 in Cambodian, 100,000,000 in Laotian, 100,000,000 in Shan, 100,000,000 in Karen, 100,000,000 in Mon, 100,000,000 in Kachin, 100,000,000 in Chin, 100,000,000 in Miao, 100,000,000 in Yunnan, 100,000,000 in Tibet, 100,000,000 in Mongolia, 100,000,000 in Manchuria, 100,000,000 in Korea, 100,000,000 in Japan, 100,000,000 in China, 100,000,000 in India, 100,000,000 in Ceylon, 100,000,000 in Burma, 100,000,000 in Siam, 100,000,000 in Cambodia, 100,000,000 in Laos, 100,000,000 in Shan, 100,000,000 in Karen, 100,000,000 in Mon, 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New Advertisements and Changes.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS
Cards—Johnston & Creamer.
Robe and Whip Lost—J. R. North.
CHANGES.

LOCAL NEWS

Miss Maud Gray, who is attending Normal at Regina, spent Christmas with her parents.

S. Peter's S. school will hold its annual tea, concert and Xmas tree to-night in the town hall.

Mr. W. McMichael went east on Tuesday to Toronto and vicinity. He will return shortly with two car loads of horses.

LOST.—A gold and blue enameled Masonic pin. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at THE PRESS-MAIL OFFICE.

Owing to rush of work THE PRESS-MAIL is delayed one day in publication this week. We ask the indulgence of our many readers.

Happy New Year to all.

We sincerely hope the new year in the new century will bring to our friends much joy and prosperity.

The president and officers of the Agricultural Society wish to thank the ladies and all those who assisted them at the Reunion last Thursday evening.

Desirable house on main street of Qu'Appelle to rent. Table on premises. Apply at THE PRESS-MAIL OFFICE.

The customary Xmas dinner at the Leland House left nothing to be desired in the satisfaction of the inner man. A sumptuous array of good things daintily served, was thoroughly enjoyed by the many guests.

Methodist Concert.

This entertainment on Xmas night attracted a packed house. The audience listened with interest to the dialogues, recitations, songs and choruses which were well rendered. The girls' broad drill and the duet by the little Morgan girls were particularly good.

Presbyterian Concert.

The concert and Xmas Tree on Xmas eve, was one of the best given by the Presbyterian S. S. for years. Among the many good things we might specially mention the boys' drill and the doll drill. A full house greeted the entertainers.

Robe and Whip Lost.

We draw attention to the advert in this issue of Mr. J. R. North, Fort Qu'Appelle, asking for the return of a robe and raw hide whip presumably taken by mistake on Thursday last from the livery stable in this town. We trust the articles will be restored to the owner at once.

We are always progressive but last week we spoke of Christmas, 1900, being the last of the twentieth century. The fact is a subscriber came in and paid us a dollar in advance. The event was so remarkable that we had to jubilate over it and under the influence of it we dreamt that we were in the end of the twentieth century when every man who owned us came and paid up. We are sorry it was not true.

A Grand Success.

The Agricultural Reunion on Thursday last was by long odds the most successful ever held by the society. Between three and four hundred people were in attendance and judging by the happy faces, thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Dancing was the main feature of the entertainment, but games were also provided. The hall was crowded to the doors proving that interest in the society is by no means on the wane. As the fair will be held at this point next year it is most that those in the district need do all in their power to aid in financing the undertaking, and may have they responded. Supper was served from 11.30 to 1 o'clock, and though the number was so great no provision had been made for the inner man, no one having to go away hungry. The music furnished was all that could be desired. The officers and directors are to be congratulated on the success of the reunion from social, and financially.

LOCAL NEWS

Mr. Charlie Booth, of Whitewood visited his parents here over Xmas.

Have you seen our No. 4 square envelopes at 10 cents per box of 125? Best value in town at this office.

Dr. Armstrong, Dentist, of Indian Head who visits Qu'Appelle on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, will be at the Leland Hotel on the 13th of Jan. All dental operations performed by the latest and most scientific methods. Prices reasonable. Call early. Office in Indian Head over Glen's implement warehouse.

McLean Meeting.

A meeting of those interested in the elevator question will be held at McLean Station on Wednesday, Jan. 9th at 1 p. m. A full attendance is desired.

Very few indeed are the subjects which do not leave room for different opinions, but we can give one instance in which there is no room for argument, and that is the surpassing excellence of the Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal and the two premium pictures, "Christ in the Temple," and "Home from the War." Both pictures are perfect gems, and, as to the paper itself, it leaves nothing to be desired, it is simply incomparable.

A Fine Xmas Number.

The Christmas number of the Presbyterian Review, just issued, is a splendid issue of 52 pages and cover. It is beautifully illustrated and full of interest from cover to cover; well-known writers, such as Principal Grant of Kingston, Rev. D. D. McLeod of Barrie, J. W. Bengough of Toronto, H. Margaret Fairlie of Kingston, Rev. E. D. Roxburgh of Norwood, Rev. J. McP. Scott of Toronto, with others equally well known, have contributed to its pages. Many of our readers will find in Mr. Scott's article on "The forward Spiritual Movement" just what has been desired, a careful review of the work that is destined to be one of the mighty agencies for good in the immediate future. Mr. Roxburgh writes most entertainingly of his trip "Over the Alps a wheel," and the illustrations from photographs taken by himself give added interest to it. But all the articles are good and timely. The People Publishing Company seem determined to make The Presbyterian Review a paper without a peer in Canada.

Joined the Benedictines.

Christmas Day at Balgonie was enhanced by the marriage of A. W. Dundas, of the Balgonie Hotel, to Miss Alice G. Harding, Miss Emily of Regina gracefully assisted the bride, and Mr. Hyde of Balgonie ably supported the groom. The wedding took place at 7 o'clock after which the happy couple, made one, left for Winnipeg followed by showers of rice, and the good wishes of their many friends.

"Adam" is well and favorably known around Qu'Appelle where he lived for several years, and this Christmas joins with his friends here, at Balgonie and elsewhere in wishing the happy couple much joy.

A Welcome Journal.

The Farmer's Advocate is always a welcome visitor to our editorial table. The souvenir Christmas number this year excels itself in scope and quality of its articles. It appropriately opens with an article on "Lessons from a dying century," a study in human progress based on the history of the past centuries. Following it are contributions from many of the clever men of the age such as Principal Grant and Hon. J. W. Longly, recounting the achievements of the nineteenth century and indicating the course of future success.

An article by J. J. Gunn tells of Manitoba 100 years ago. Contributions by J. W. Mitchell on "The Northwest Chronicles," J. A. Turner on "The Conditions of Ranching," "No. 1 Hard Wheat," by Angus McKay, "Farming before the Railway" by S. A. Bedford, and "The Evolution of Sheep Raising," by Alfred Mansell are a few of the good things worth reading by the farmer. J. W.

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Bengough turns the X-rays on the 21st century farmer in a full page series of scientific full of humor. Rev. John M. Donald tells of his first Buffalo hunt, Mr. F. S. Peor on "Moose Hunting in Nova Scotia," and a good story entitled "Captain Eliza B. Star" is contributed by the well-known writer, Frank R. Stockton.

The Home Department contains a rare and touching work of art "The End of the Skin." The whole number is profusely illustrated and enclosed in a beautiful cover whose front page illustrates the breaking of the 20th century soil. This number is given free to regular subscribers and is in itself well worth half the whole year's subscription.

Sunny South.

The school and dance at Sunny South schoolhouse on Friday last was a pleasant surprise to all. It proved a great success, socially and financially. The dialogues and songs were well rendered and the recitations by the children showed careful training and on the part of the children, considerable ability. After partaking of an appetizing tea which the ladies provided, the people enjoyed themselves dancing until the "week end" hours. Mr. and Mrs. Gibson of Indian Head furnished the music most satisfactorily.

Miss Gibson, who has taught for three terms in our school, will be greatly missed by her many friends. Pleasant times are expected in this locality for Xmas and New Year's.

BIRTH.

WESTON—At Balgonie, on Dec. 22, the wife of A. E. Weston, J. E., of a son.

MARRIED.

DUNDAS—At Balgonie, on Dec. 22, to the Rev. S. W. Timmon, A. W. Dundas to Alice G. Harding, both of Balgonie.

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Hogs, dressed....	6 to 6 1/2
Eggs.....	20
Hams, retail....	17
Breakfast bacon	17
Cordwood.....	3 00

WINNIPEG.

Beef, dressed....	5
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Mutton.....	9 to 10
Hogs.....	6 1/2
Butter, dairy....	15 to 18
Eggs.....	80 to 87
Hay.....	40 to 42
Lard, per pound	2 75
Breakfast bacon	12 1/2 to 13
Hams, whole sale	15
Wheat, Ft. William	77

A CARD.

WE desire to publicly thank Mr. J. Johnston, the local agent for The Canadian Fire Insurance Company, for the prompt and satisfactory settlement of our claim for insurance occasioned by the destruction of our livery stable by fire on the evening of the 8th inst.

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Robe & Whip Lost.

If the parties who took by mistake on Thursday last, a red robe lined with silk green plush, edged with green and yellow, W. W. Carleton, Brandon, stamped in yellow silk on lining, also a rawhide whip, and return the same to the undersigned by 5 p. m. on Sunday, will be given \$500.00 reward leading to the recovery of the articles.
J. R. North,
Fort Qu'Appelle.